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Short-Sighted Railroad.

The business of a street railway company is to serve its patrons. If exceptional conditions arise either in the form of material difficulties or in the form of unexpected legal restrictions, the street railway company owes it to its patrons to mitigate—that is a street railway word—the inconvenience by every reasonable means.

Such exceptional conditions now interfere with the operation of the Anacostia line. The bridge across the Anacostia river is weak. The District Commissioners, being charged with safeguarding the public safety, have prohibited the transportation of passengers across that bridge in heavy cars and more than forty passengers in any car. The inconvenience to everybody who traverses that bridge is marked; but Congress has already made appropriations for a new structure, and in the meantime all users of the present bridge must co-operate to lessen the inconvenience.

How does the street railway company co-operate? Briefly, by providing the least possible service which "the traffic will bear." If only forty passengers are to be carried in any one car the railway company is clearly under the obligation to provide more cars. Instead of that it makes the new law as onerous and as productive of inconvenience as it can.

In this particular instance one extra car and the services of two conductors and two motormen would minimize the difficulty. Switches are so near the bridge that this one car, shuttling back and forth as an entire system is operated on the Brooklyn bridge, would provide speedy transportation through the forty-passenger zone for all the patrons of the line. The cost would not be great. The advantage would be enormous.

Yesterday forty-eight passengers waited to be transported across the bridge. They had paid the company's charge. They had an undoubted right to speedy and comfortable service. But eight of them could not be carried, and the ejection of any eight out of the whole number was a ticklish proceeding.

For three hours that car waited, tying up the traffic and costing the company, no doubt, twice as much as an entire day's service of the shuttle-car which it had failed to provide. Division superintendents, road managers, even vice presidents and general managers, came and looked on, but there is no record that this scheme of an extra bridge car occurred to any of them.

The reason is obvious. The management of that road was more concerned in "getting even" with the Commissioners than with providing an adequate service. The rights of its passengers, to whom it owes an obligation greater even than that to its stockholders, were disregarded. This management has not yet learned, and the indications are that it never will learn, the simple lesson that it will make more money by encouraging traffic than ever it can make by throttling it.

Police Rowdism.

The police of the District of Columbia are as fine a body of men as can be found in any city in the world. That a certain percentage of rowdies, and possibly thugs, should creep into the service is almost inevitable, but the force as a whole maintains a high average of manliness and decency.

The disgraceful exhibition of drunken rowdism in Baltimore Saturday should not be without its measure of comfort to the average citizen of the District, however, as it makes plain the duty of our local authorities without the complicated wirepulling, log-rolling, and misguided esprit de corps that has so often perverted justice here. The rowdies were, at least, heavily fined there.

Discouragement in Iowa.

On a hot day the Des Moines Capital moralizes thus:

Why do so many eminent Iowans sigh, work and pant to be governor? People of contentment looking on from a comfortable distance wonder without ceasing that men who have won a right to ease should yet sigh to be tossed for years on the uneasy blanket of gubernatorial politics. Whence the hunger for the thorny pillow and mal-aise?

This wonder continues through half a column. "Alluring without and dark within is the post of governor." "Work, worry, and shattered hopes were not the worst." "A shining mark is loved by other things than death." Most impressive of all "The dome of the Capitol at Washington rises with

a splendid uplift white and majestic without, but within it is dark, rumbling, gluttonous."

Two answers offer themselves to this philosophy. The one is that the Des Moines Capital needs a vacation. The other is not so tersely expressed. American men aspire to be governors for many reasons:

Because with personal strength among the men of all the world comes also a desire for personal leadership.

Because the governorship represents, however strained, the confidence, admiration, and trust of all a man's fellow-citizens.

Because, in spite of frequent comparisons to the office of justice of the peace, it is a station of great power, and all men, of every type, love power.

Because the contest for the office is, in part at least, a contest of principles, and men who have espoused principles all their lives are eager to lead in the fight for them.

Most of all, because sincerity, earnestness, manliness, and courage are still factors in our civil life, and those qualities in men urge them to seek—for the good they can do—every post where good can be done.

There are other reasons—but these are enough. On one or several of these grounds American men in Iowa and outside of it may be depended upon always to brave the "work, worry, and shattered hopes," the "shining mark" and even that cavern which, while white and majestic without, is "dark, rumbling, gluttonous" within.

It will be sorry day for Iowa when its men cease to seek the office of governor.

At Sea.

According to the advices from Europe, the Czar and the Kaiser are at sea together. Poor Nicholas has been at sea so long that there is no surprise at his being there now, but the specialty of William is in keeping other people at sea—and he has succeeded brilliantly this time.

The cable messages hint at every imaginable international possibility as the subject of the conference between the rulers of the two great nations. Perhaps the correspondents want to be right in any event and take this shotgun method of hitting the mark. But there are a few certainties upon which we can rely, and that may be elimination narrow the range of subjects which the Emperors will discuss: The Kaiser is too wise to seek advice of Nicholas; the Kaiser will not take Nicholas into his confidence for any purpose other than to flatter him and get real confidence in return; there is no immediate danger of the Kaiser doing anything more warlike on his own account than his usual trick of stirring up the diplomatic animals.

The result of the conference is more likely to be that Nicholas will carry home a lot of homely and honest advice than anything else, for the Kaiser, with all his faults, is far from being a fool.

The Sultan still smokes Turkish Atrocities.

There was plenty of hot air in the vicinity of the Anacostia bridge last night.

Judge Parker went down deep enough last November to avoid getting beyond his depth again.

These are days when it is too hot to breathe in a cool office and too cool to keep still in a hot ball park.

The Atlanta Constitution printed a poem called "In Starry Silence." By mistake it got into one of its dramatic pages.

Mr. Rockefeller told his fellow church members that he had a weight on his conscience. It was referred to Tom Lawson it was a lightweight.

Some one calculates that New York spends half a million a day on summer frivolity, and about the only people who really get a good time out of it are restaurant keepers and the purveyors of entertainment on Coney Island.

The papers are full of stories about a man who can sign his check for \$1,000,000. Anybody can do that. The difficulty is in getting it cashed.

The news dispatches say that Commodore Peary is hopeful. It's his business to be hopeful just now.

The Agricultural Department has discovered that insects damage the American harvest to the tune of \$700,000,000, annually, without counting the firebugs and the store ticks.

King Edward has been taking prizes at a stock fair in Norfolk. Even royalty has joined in the movement to embarrass Mr. Bryan.

THE ADMIRAL'S RETURN.

Brave ships are these that bear thee home again.

From under far-off skies—brave flags that fly

Above the deck whereon thine ashes lie.

Waiting their urn beyond the alien main;

The nations pause to view thy funeral train.

As slowly moving up 'twixt sea and sky

It comes with stately pomp, and Liberty

Holds out her hands and calls thy name in vain.

And yet, mayhap, in vision vague and sweet,

Another sight thou seest beyond the boat

Of patriot pride—beside the new-born fleet.

Spectral and strange, no guest for such a host,

Yet making thy home-coming all complete.

The old "Bon Homme Richard's" un-laid ghost—

—Charles Hamilton Musgrave, in New York Times.

IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

THEODORE JR.'S
SUNDAY CLASSPresident's Son Again
Teaching at Oyster Bay.

GUESTS AT SAGAMORE HILL

Dr. Alexander Lambert and Former
Secretary Morton Entertained by
Mr. Roosevelt.

President Roosevelt, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and their daughter, Miss Ethel, attended church yesterday in Oyster Bay. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., again took his place as teacher in the Sunday School of Christ Church.

Dr. Alexander Lambert, who accompanied the President on his recent trip through the West, has been a visitor at Sagamore Hill. He returned to New York last night. Ex-Secretary Morton was a guest of the President over Sunday.

The Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Bonaparte will spend the rest of the season at the Asphynal, Lenox. Mr. Bonaparte will come to Washington frequently to look after the affairs of his department, but Mrs. Bonaparte expects to remain in the Berkshires during the entire summer. Secretary Bonaparte spent yesterday in New York.

Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, who recently returned from abroad with his family, is the guest of James Stillman at the latter's villa, in Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh have become conspicuously identified with Newport society. Mrs. Walsh yesterday inaugurated a series of dinner parties at Beaulieu. These affairs promise to take a place among the most elaborate entertainments of the season. Miss Walsh is extremely popular, and the signal social success of the Walshes in Washington bids fair to be eclipsed by their entertainments in Newport. Mrs. Walsh will again be numbered among the hostesses of today.

MOVEMENTS OF
SOCIETY FOLK

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gilmour, of Washington, are among the recent arrivals at Narragansett Pier. They are registered at the Sherry Casino.

Newport has another titled visitor in the Count von Vereltinger, of Vienna, who will remain at that fashionable resort a week or ten days.

Mrs. William E. Doane, of Washington, has left Stockbridge, Mass., for San Diego, Cal. Mrs. Doane is the mother of Mrs. Newton K. Perry, wife of Ensign Perry, who was killed in the explosion on the Bennington. Mrs. Doane has gone to California to be with her daughter. She was accompanied by another daughter, Mrs. C. Stuart Wilson, of London.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Nairn, of K Street northwest, have gone to Cape May for a visit of two weeks to Mrs. Haydin, at the latter's cottage.

Mrs. Southerland, wife of Commander W. H. H. Southerland, and the Misses Southerland have opened their cottage at Magnolia Beach, Mass., after a prolonged visit in and around New York city. They will remain at Magnolia Beach until late in the autumn, when they will return to Washington and reopen their town house for the winter. Commander Southerland is in command of the cruiser Cleveland.

Mrs. George Westinghouse is still at Glenlocks, Erskine Park, the Westinghouse summer home, near Lenox. Mrs. Westinghouse was to have sailed on the Celtic last Wednesday with Mr. Westinghouse and their son, George Westinghouse, Jr. Mrs. Westinghouse started for New York in the afternoon of the day before they were to sail, but was overcome by the heat, and was taken from the train at Merumsville, Conn., and sent back. It was the hottest day Lenox had ever experienced. Mr. Westinghouse, Sr., and Mr. Westinghouse, Jr., after they had been assured of Mrs. Westinghouse's safety, continued their trip to Europe. They will be gone six weeks.

Pay Director Mitchell C. McDonald, U. S. N., at present the pay officer attached to the naval hospital at Philadelphia, has been visiting friends in Washington, where he is well known.

Adolph Cluss is ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Daw, 2201 H Street northwest.

Miss Viola Murray, of 151 Heckmann street southeast, is the guest of friends at the Cottage Royal, Colonial Beach.

Mrs. C. D. Deeks, accompanied by her maid, left the city during the early part of last week for Atlantic City, where she has taken apartments at the Seaside for the remainder of the season.

The Misses Anne and Genevieve Connelly, of Washington, are at Ocean City, Colonel Jenkins, of Baltimore, gave a yachting party in their honor on Saturday. They will not return to Washington until the end of next week.

J. D. Collins and S. C. Tokens, of this city, have gone to spend a few days at Atlantic City. They are registered at the Elberon.

Miss Frances A. Hill, of Philadelphia, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Mary A. Barr, of Capitol Hill.

The Phoenix Club, chartered by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Newmyer, gave its second outing of the season yesterday, when it chartered the tug Runaway and took its friends down the river for the day. The party landed at "Gunston," and with amusements furnished by a special committee, and a ball game played between the members, a picnic, dinner, and supper, a most enjoyable day was spent. Among those present were the Misses Sadie Eiseeman, Leona Young, Eleanor Loeb, Flora Bernheimer, Maud Buer, Inez Silver, Hortense Sondheimer, Irene Sommers, Maud Felheimer, Cora Sommers, Jeannette Silver, Sophie Colencious, Jessie Coheretious, and A. L. Newmyer, N. Frank B. Cobb, E. Young, C. Grosner, H. Sigmund, P. Herman, M. Kronheim, F. Hirsch, H. Guggenheim,



MISS CARRY PEYTON WHEELER,
Daughter of General Wheeler, and a Leader in the Resident Southern Colony of
New York Society.

LADY HERBERT MAKES
VISIT TO MARIENBAD

Accompanied by Her Sister, Mrs. Ogden Golet—Minister
O'Brien at Asuncion, Paraguay, on a Delicate Mission.
Hugh O'Bierne in New York.

Hugh O'Bierne, of the British embassy staff, is spending a few days in New York.

Lady Herbert, widow of the late Sir Michael Herbert, ambassador to the United States from the court of St. James, has arrived in Marienbad, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Ogden Golet.

Montevideo, the American minister to the United States from the court of St. James, has sailed for Asuncion, Paraguay, where, it is rumored, he is charged with a delicate diplomatic mission.

The Misses Preston, daughters of a former United States minister to Chile, are spending the summer at Jefferson, N. H. The Misses Preston are well known socially for their artistic drawing-room entertainments. One is an accomplished fancy dancer and the other is a talented singer. They are frequently seen in Washington drawing-rooms.

Cheikh Bey, Minister from Turkey to the United States, is a familiar figure on the boardwalk at Atlantic City. The minister is manifestly enjoying the many diversions of the seashore to his heart's content, and evidently does not consider the international results of the recent attempt on the Sultan's life of sufficient importance to necessitate his immediate return to Washington.

G. Sigmund, M. Loeb, M. Stern, E. Kaufman, S. Solinger, L. Flahel, H. Silver, E. Fretzfelder, S. Alexander, and S. Guggenheim.

Mrs. Adah Behrend and daughter, Miss Esther Behrend, of Washington, are spending the summer at Lake Mooselookmeung, Me.

Mrs. T. Haas and sons, Isaac and Emanuel Haas, accompanied by her nieces, Misses Bella and Rita Schiffman, are at Dronnesville, Va., for a month.

Thomas Ewing Moore, the newly appointed first secretary of the American legation in Bucharest and Belgrade, is on his way to his post. Mr. Moore left Berlin for Vienna yesterday. Upon his arrival in Belgrade he will act as chargé d'affaires until the arrival of Mr. Riddle, the new minister. Mr. Riddle will succeed John B. Jackson, who has been appointed United States minister to Roumania and Servia.

The Baron and Baroness von Tuyl, of the Netherlands legation, were yesterday the guests at luncheon of Paul J. Rainey on board his steam yacht Anona, which is anchored off Newport.

EUROPE THREATENED
BY CHOLERA EPIDEMIC

French Doctor Says It Will Invade
Continent by Four Routes
From East.

PARIS, July 24.—Prof. Chantemesse, an eminent French doctor and director general of the Paris Hygiene Bureau, says that Europe is seriously threatened with a cholera epidemic this year.

During the last four years, he states, cholera has been advancing rapidly westward, and now it threatens to invade Europe by four different routes: (1) Through Moscow, St. Petersburg and the Volga river; (2) through the Black Sea, Odessa and Central Europe; (3) through the Danube and the Balkan principalities; (4) through Constantinople, the Adriatic and Italy.

All that is wanting now for the advent of cholera in Europe, says the professor, is a long spell of hot weather.

ABRAHAM HERMAN RESTS
IN HEBREW CEMETERY

The funeral of Abraham Herman, one of the oldest merchants in the city, who died at his summer home at Kensington, Md., on Friday last, was held this afternoon from his home, 702 H Street northwest.

Rabbi Stern and Simon, of the Eighth street temple, officiated. Interment was made in the Hebrew cemetery in Anacostia.

Mr. Herman was a native of Germany, and came to this country when he was twelve years old. He has lived in this city most of his life. On March 10, 1885, he started a store at Seventh and H streets, of which he was proprietor up to the time of his death. He is survived by a widow and seven children, three sons and four daughters. His children are Mrs. L. J. Silverman, Mrs. E. Lee Kerrigood, of Baltimore; Misses Geneva and Lorian Herman, and Bernard, Milton and Maury Herman.

Graft Reigns Supreme
At the Golden Gate

San Francisco Politicians, Through Labor
Unions, Are in Control of the City—Musi-
cian Mayor Helps Make the Band Play.

San Francisco is the worst graft-ridden city of the United States, and practically all branches of the city government are under the control of "Abe" Ruef, who is the real boss of the city.

The city now is ruled by corrupt politicians, who use the labor unions to gain their ends, says Public Opinion. Eugene E. Schmitz was nominated and twice elected mayor at the dictation of "Boss" Ruef. He was selected as a compromise candidate, being a member of the Musicians' Union, Ruef, who is a lawyer, organized union labor, which consisted of an army of 12,000 voters, into a labor party, with the result that his man was elected and his machine perfected.

Plenty of Loot for Grafters.

"Boss" Ruef promised loot to his henchmen, and by his victory made his promise good, and even though there is concerted action under way for Schmitz's defeat for re-election, success seems to be with Ruef.

Labor unions are stronger in San Francisco than anywhere else in the country, but many of the big strikes have resulted in failure for the men. The glove-making industry, tin can factories and several other large businesses have been driven from the city on account of strikes and the unions' demands for "closed shops."

In these fights of the labor unions against employers much of the success of the unions has been due to the system they have adopted of barring out men from the East by excessive initiation fees. The city's growth has been retarded by the action of the unions.

Millions of Dollars to Spend.

The new charter for the city, which was largely modeled after that of New York, gave unexpected opportunities to the mayor and "Boss" Ruef. Bonds for

\$17,000,000 were voted for various city improvements.

The Schmitz gang viewed the prospect of handling these \$17,000,000 of bonds with beating faces. The mayor had appointed as head of the board of public works—the most important of the city commissions, because it would have charge of the contracts for disbursing most of these millions—his young brother Herbert, without experience and without character, a mere tool in the hands of Boss Ruef. Associated with Herbert Schmitz were Frank Maestretti, a saloonkeeper and ward politician, who was afterward indicted by the grand jury, but acquitted on trial, and Michael Casey, a union labor leader, who has been most offensive in his anarchistic attacks on capital. With such men in the seats of the mighty, it is any wonder that local bankers flatly refused to subscribe for any of the bonds.

It is notorious that contracts have been let to favored firms, and some of these contracts have been investigated by the grand jury, with the result that they were canceled.

Vice Pays for Protection.

Two thousand dollars a week or \$100,000 a year is the amount paid in bribes by Chinese gamblers.

Another big source of profit to the municipal grafters is the forced levy on respectable women. This amounts to \$250,000 a year.

The saloon business is conducted in certain sections where the places have a license or not. Poolrooms flourish, and they all pay tribute to the grafting officials.

Probably more far-reaching and more important than any of the other corrupt influences of the Schmitz administration is the work that it has done in tampering with the ballot box, in order to secure the election of its candidates in close districts.

Frank A. Maestretti was indicted in connection with these frauds, but escaped conviction. Two men, who are said to be his lieutenants, have been convicted of ballot-box stuffing.

Edward J. Smith, the defunct tax collector of San Francisco, has been sentenced to prison for ten years.

LATE WILLIAM G. POWERS
IS LAID TO REST

William G. Powers was buried yesterday afternoon in Rock Creek Cemetery with Masonic honors. The funeral took place from the late residence of the deceased, 1755 Connecticut street northwest, and was conducted according to the custom of the Masons, of which order Mr. Powers was a prominent member. The pallbearers were F. C. Gieseke, W. T. Gallier, H. C. Espey, Charles H. Smith, Theodore G. DeWolf, and J. L. Bailey, representing various Masonic lodges and Royal Arch chapters. The Rev. A. N. Ward and the Rev. Paul Menzel assisted at the services.

The deceased is survived by a widow, who was formerly Miss Louise Klutz, of Washington. Mr. Powers was originally from Massachusetts, and served in the civil war, coming here immediately after the close of that great struggle to accept a position in the War Department. Nine years ago he was stricken with paralysis, and had been suffering from that trouble until the time of his death.

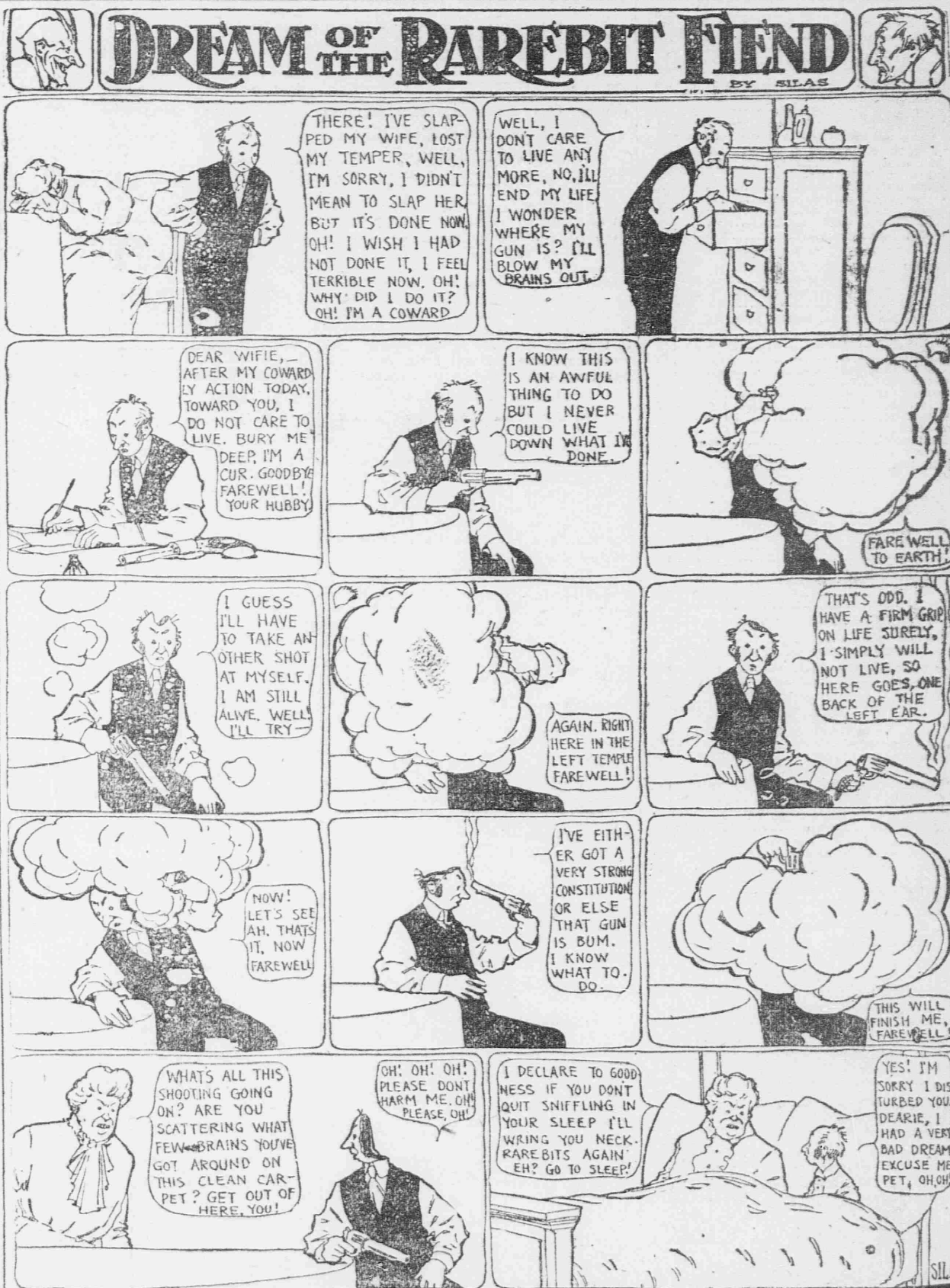
SENATOR CLARK NOW
OUT OF DANGER

NEW YORK, July 24.—United States Senator William A. Clark, who recently underwent an operation, continues to improve, though it is authoritatively stated that it will be at least two weeks before he will be able to leave his West Fifty-eighth street apartments.

The family was yesterday for the first time assured by the attending physician that, barring improbable complications, danger in the case was passed.

WROTE SCURRILOUS
LETTERS TO NOBILITY

BERLIN, July 24.—A socialistic workman, Berthold Roemer, at Detmold, has been sentenced to twenty-six months' imprisonment for writing scurrilous anonymous letters to Count Leopold of Lippe-Biesterfeld, prince regent of the little principality of Lippe, as well as to Count Chamberlain, Baron Von Quadt, Prime Minister Gevecke and a number of other prominent officials.



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